

A Place to Grow: Revitalizing Iowa's Economy

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howers in 1952 in Chicago when he worked on the nomination committee and there he developed a casual acquaintance. Mamie Doud Eisenhower was born in Boone, Iowa where her birthplace has been preserved. The book is enhanced by several nicely reproduced photographs and is a credit to the author.

A Place to Grow: Revitalizing Iowa's Economy, by David B. Hinton. (Newton: News Printing Company, 1983. pp. 116, appendixes, notes, \$3.75 paper.)

Written by a member of the Iowa Development Commission and a Marshalltown native, this book is really a treatise on the author's viewpoints of where Iowa is going in the future. It is a strategy of action for economic growth in the Hawkeye state.

A Hero Nonetheless: Albert Miller Lea, 1808-1891, by Robert M. Merryman. (Lake Mills: Graphic Publishing Company, Inc., 1983. pp. 152, illustrations, notes, appendixes, index, \$14.95 cloth.)

A very readable book and one well worth the price. The author has performed an excellent task of pulling together bits and pieces of information about Albert Lea into one source. Residents of Minnesota know that one of their cities is named after this man, while Iowans are aware that it was Lea who did more than any single person in giving the name to their state. He really popularized the name "Iowa" through his famous book, *Notes on the Wisconsin Territory*. This is a handsomely illustrated work with Lea's original maps nicely reproduced and best of all all the profits from sales go equally between the Iowa and Minnesota State Historical Societies. A cause well worth any reader's support.

Geology of Iowa: Over Two Billion Years of Change, by Wayne I. Anderson. (Ames: Iowa State University Press, 1983. pp. 268, illustrations, maps, references, index, \$32.50 cloth, \$17.95 paper.)

The author, head of the earth science department at the University of Northern Iowa, has written the first general overall summary of the state's geologic past—a chronological account of the rock formations that underlie the farmland and cities of Iowa. Specially prepared maps portray the various geographic settings of ancient Iowa from Precambrian times to the coming of man. He explains the environment of deposition or formation for each of the state's major rock groups and describes key fossils. It is written for the general audience—interested citizen, teacher, and beginning college student and is richly illustrated and highly informative. A much needed and long awaited general textbook.

—MDG

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